

FISCAL MEMORANDUM
HB 2279 – SB 2220

April 28, 2008

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (017184): Deletes all language of the original bill and authorizes the Commissioner of Children's Services to identify, reorganize and/or abolish up to 150 positions within the Department to be accomplished in a manner which ensures continued progress and compliance with the provisions of the Brian A. Settlement Agreement. Any action by the Commissioner shall take place by October 1, 2008.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

MINIMAL

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

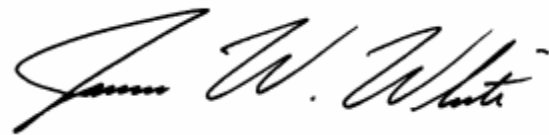
Decrease State Expenditures - \$10,500,000

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- The Department of Children's Services is estimating a loss of federal funds of \$73,000,000 due to rule changes by the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) effective March 3, 2008.
- The reorganization and possible abolishment of 150 non-caseload carrying positions will result in a decrease in state expenditures estimated at \$10,500,000.
- This estimated decrease in state expenditures will be used to cover a portion of the \$73,000,000 in federal funds that will not be received due to CMS rule changes.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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